EAST WINDSOR POLICE COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING: October 12, 2011

East Windsor Town Hall Meeting Room

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE:

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman Linda Sinsigallo. All Commissioners were present as well as Chief of Police Edward DeMarco and Deputy Chief Roger Hart. Also in public attendance were Dale Nelson (candidate-Selectwoman), Kathy Pippin (BOF), Selectman Gil Hayes, Selectman John Burnham and Ed Filipone (candidate-Police Commission).

2. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS:

None

3. PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

The minutes from the September 14, 2011 regular meeting were reviewed by all commission members. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Nelson to accept the regular meeting minutes of 9/14/11 as presented. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Sauerhoefer. No discussion.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Sherman/Nelson/Strempfer/Sauerhoefer

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

4. BUDGET AND EXPENDITURES:

A) Police Department – Monthly Billing: MOTION made by Commissioner Nelson to accept the monthly billing as of 10/7/11, including animal control, in the total amount of \$5,184.86. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Sauerhoefer. No discussion.

VOTE IN FAVOR: Sherman/Nelson/Sauerhoefer/Strempfer

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

B) Police Department – Financial Statement: MOTION made by Commissioner Nelson to accept the monthly financial statement, as submitted. SECONDED by Commissioner Sauerhoefer. No discussion.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Sherman/Nelson/Sauerhoefer/Strempfer

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

C) **Police Commission – Monthly Billing: MOTION** made by Commissioner Nelson to approve the monthly billing as of 9/30/11 in the total amount of \$ 125.00. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Sauerhoefer. No discussion.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Sherman/Nelson/Sauerhoefer/Strempfer

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

D) Police Commission – Financial Statement: MOTION made by Commissioner Nelson to accept the police commission monthly financial statement dated 9/30/11, as presented. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Sauerhoefer. No discussion.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Sherman/Nelson/Sauerhoefer/Strempfer

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A) Chairman Sinsigallo acknowledged receipt of the informational packet from retired Officer Bruce Everett. Packet contains all the information presented to the panel, including a cover letter. Information to be archived in Police Commission records 2011/2012.

6. TRAFFIC AUTHORITY:

Chief DeMarco stated that he has nothing additional, only what is included in his monthly report.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

None

8. COMMUNICATIONS:

None

9. MONTHLY REPORTS:

A) Chief of Police:

Chief DeMarco stated that he had a traffic consult with the DOT regarding changes to Newberry Road with the proposed big-box location. Change was made with regards to a turning lane for safety. Still monitoring and working with the DOT – things are moving along normal.

B) Commission Members:

Commissioner Nelson thanked Chairman Sinsigallo and Commissioner Sherman for their hard work and dedication over the years. He added that he appreciates all they have done, including tutoring him along the way.

Commissioner Sherman commented that he has enjoyed the past 12 years on the commission and is proud of what the commission has accomplished together with the police department. He also stated that the addition of the Deputy Chief has helped and the department has come a long way. He would like to see it keep going and thanked the Chief and Deputy Chief.

Commissioner Sauerhoefer thanked both Commissioner Sherman and Chairman Sinsigallo for their help, encouragement and all they've taught him.

Commissioner Strempfer added that, although he has only been on the board for 2 years, he would like to also be able to put in 12 years, as Commissioner Sherman has.

Chairman Sinsigallo thanked the Chief and Deputy Chief. She added that they work as a team with the commission. Chairman Sinsigallo also added that both she and Commissioner Sherman were the original people who hired the Chief. Chairman Sinsigallo stated that her 21 years on the commission will not end until the next (November) meeting, as the new commissioners will not begin their term until 11/22/11.

10. PUBLIC INPUT – Comments and Discussion (5 minutes maximum time per subject)

Ms. Dale Nelson (candidate-Selectwoman) (51 Omelia Rd, Broad Brook) congratulated Commissioners Sinsigallo and Sherman and wished them the best. She thanked them for their service and added that their time has been well served.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

MOTION made by Commissioner Nelson to go into Executive Session for Legal Update to include Chief DeMarco and Deputy Chief Hart (7:13pm). **SECONDED** by Commissioner Sherman.

VOTE IN FAVOR: Sherman/Nelson/Sauerhoefer/Strempfer

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

Executive Session ended at 8:18pm.

MOTION made by Commissioner Nelson for Chief Edward DeMarco and Deputy Chief Roger Hart to receive the maximum allowable vacation time as specified and written in the Union Contract **SECONDED** by Commissioner Sherman.

VOTING IN FAVOR: Sherman/Nelson/Sauerhoefer/Strempfer

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Nelson made a **MOTION** to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:20pm. **SECONDED** by Commissioner Sherman.

VOTED IN FAVOR: Sherman/Nelson/Sauerhoefer/Strempfer

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Pellegrini - EWPC Recording Secretary